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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Engineering Design for State Highway 52 between Weld County Road 7 & 15 in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Dacono, located at 512 Cherry St, Dacono, CO 80514. The funding would be used to create a construction ready engineering design to build multimodal capacity along State Highway 52 (SH52). This engineering design will expand a portion of SH52 between Dacono & Frederick by implementing recommendations from the Colorado Department of Transportation's (CDOT) Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) study. The design will focus on adding travel lanes, bicycle lanes, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and drainage improvements.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because increased traffic due to residential and commercial growth has created the need for more capacity along SH52 which connects several communities to Interstate 25. The communities along the corridor utilize SH52 to commute to business and industry centers. Changes in land use are causing the average daily traffic to increase to a level that is straining the existing infrastructure along the corridor. The corridor provides critical access from residential and rural areas to business centers, as well as commercial freight from industrial centers along the corridor. Congestion and delays are becoming more impactful to the traveling public. The need for pedestrian and bike facilities is also present. A multimodal design will address ongoing safety and operational concerns along this busy corridor.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely.

Yadira Caraveo, M.D. Member of Congress